1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 9 10 REFUGIO ESCAMILLA by and through her Civil No. 07cv0091-L (POR) Guardian Ad Litem, EVA CHARLES, 11 Plaintiff, ORDER GRANTING JOINT MOTION 12 TO AUGMENT EXPERT DESIGNATION AND REPORT DATES v. 13 AND FIRST AMENDED SCHEDULING LIFE CARE CENTER OF ESCONDIDO, and ORDER 14 DOES 1-25, inclusive, [Doc. No. 18] Defendant. 15 16 On November 30, 2007, the parties filed a Joint Motion to Augment Expert Designation and 17 Report Dates. Parties represent additional time is necessary due to the fact Plaintiff anticipates filing 18 a First Amended Complaint. Based thereon and good cause appearing, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: 19 1. On or before **December 17, 2007**, all parties shall exchange with all other parties a 20 list of all expert witnesses expected to be called at trial. The list shall include the name, address, and 21 phone number of the expert and a brief statement identifying the subject areas as to which the expert 22 is expected to testify. The list shall also include the normal rates the expert charges for deposition 23 and trial testimony. On or before **January 4, 2008**, any party may supplement its designation in 24 response to any other party's designation so long as that party has not previously retained an expert 25 to testify on that subject. 26 2. Each expert witness designated by a party shall prepare a written report to be 27 provided 28 to all other parties no later than February 11, 2008, containing the information required by Federal

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Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(2)(A) and (B).

Except as specifically provided below, any party that fails to make these disclosures shall <u>not</u>, absent substantial justification, be permitted to use evidence or testimony not disclosed at any hearing or at the time of trial. In addition, the Court may impose sanctions as permitted by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 37(c).

- 3. Any party, through any expert designated, shall in accordance with Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 26(a)(2)(C) and 26(e), supplement any of its expert reports regarding evidence intended solely to contradict or rebut evidence on the same subject matter identified in an expert report submitted by another party. Any such supplemental reports are due on or before **February** 24, 2008.
- 4. <u>All</u> discovery shall be completed on or before **March 17, 2008**. "Completed" means that all discovery under Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 30-36 must be initiated a sufficient period of time in advance of the cut-off date, so that it may be completed by the cut-off date, taking into account the times for services, notice, and response as set forth in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. All disputes concerning discovery shall be brought to the attention of this Court no later than thirty days following the date upon which the event giving rise to the discovery dispute occurred. Counsel shall meet and confer pursuant to the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26 and Local Rule 26.1(a) before contacting the Court regarding discovery disputes.
- 5. All motions, other than motions to amend or join parties, or motions in limine, shall be **FILED** on or before **April 14, 2008**.

Motions will not be heard or calendared unless counsel for the moving party has obtained a motion hearing date from the law clerk of the judge who will hear the motion. Be advised that the parties must file their moving papers within three days of receiving the motion hearing date from the Court. Be further advised that the period of time between the date you request a motion date and the hearing date may be **up to three months**. Please plan accordingly.

Briefs or memoranda in support of or in opposition to any pending motion shall not exceed 25 pages in length without permission of the judge or magistrate judge who will hear the motion. No reply memorandum shall exceed 10 pages without leave of the judge or magistrate judge who

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will hear the motion.

Pursuant to Civil Local Rule 7.1(f)(3)(c), if an opposing party fails to file opposition papers in the time and manner required by Local Rule 7.1(e)(2), that failure may constitute a consent to the granting of a motion or other request for ruling by the court. Accordingly, all parties are ordered to abide by the terms of Local Rule 7.1(e)(2) or otherwise face the prospect of any pretrial motion being granted as an unopposed motion pursuant to Local Rule 7.1(f)(3)(c).

Should either party choose to file or oppose a motion for summary judgment or partial summary judgment, no Separate Statement of Disputed or Undisputed Facts is required.

- 6. Despite the requirements of Local Rule 16.1(f), neither party is required to file Memoranda of Contentions of Fact and Law at any time. The parties shall instead focus their efforts on drafting and submitting a proposed pretrial order by the time and date specified by Local Rule 16.1(f)(6)(b).
- 7. All parties or their counsel shall fully comply with the Pretrial Disclosure requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(3) on or before **July 28, 2008**. Failure to comply with these disclosures requirements could result in evidence preclusion or other sanctions under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 37.
- 8. Counsel shall meet together and take the action required by Local Rule 16.1(f)(5) on or before **August 4, 2008**. At this meeting, counsel shall discuss and attempt to enter into stipulations and agreements resulting in simplification of the triable issues. Counsel shall exchange copies and/or display all exhibits other than those to be used for impeachment. The exhibits shall be prepared in accordance with Local Rule 16.1 (f)(3)(c). Counsel shall note any objections they have to any other parties' Pretrial Disclosures under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(3). Counsel shall cooperate in the preparation of the proposed pretrial conference order.
- 9. The proposed final pretrial conference order, including objections any party has to any other parties' Rule 26(a)(3) Pretrial Disclosures shall be prepared, served and lodged with the Clerk of the Court on or before **August 11, 2008**, and shall be in the form prescribed in and in compliance with Local Rule 16.1 (f)(6). Counsel shall also bring a copy of the pretrial order to the pretrial conference for the Court.

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10. The final pretrial conference shall be held before the **Honorable M. James Lorenz**, United States District Court Judge, on August 18, 2008, at 11:00 a.m. 11. The dates and times set forth herein will not be further modified except for good cause shown. 12. Counsel for Plaintiff shall serve a copy of this order on any parties that enter this case hereafter. DATED: December 5, 2007 LOUISA S PORTER United States Magistrate Judge cc: The Honorable M. James Lorenz All parties

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